

## **Colville National Forest**

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## A Reminder: No fireworks allowed on the Colville National Forest

**Colville, WA –** Colville National Forest Supervisor Laura Jo West is reminding visitors and campers that the use of all fireworks is prohibited on all national forests and national grasslands.

Fireworks and other pyrotechnic devices are prohibited on national grassland and national forest lands year-round, regardless of weather conditions or holidays.

"While all of us enjoy fireworks during the summer holidays, federal law prohibits their use on the National Forests. Fireworks represent a real threat to our forests in spite of the wet weather we have been having," said Laura Jo West, Colville National Forest Supervisor.

Regulations are enforced, and violation is punishable as a misdemeanor by a fine of not more than \$5,000 or imprisonment of not more than six months, or both.

Forest visitors are also reminded to ensure that all fires are extinguished and cold to the touch before leaving them.

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